

FOR IT IS BY GRACE YOU HAVE BEEN SAVED,
THROUGH FAITH—AND THIS NOT FROM
YOURSELVES, IT IS THE GIFT OF GOD.
EPH 2:8-9

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The Fifth Sunday in Lent



Press On Toward the Goal

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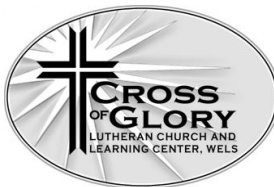
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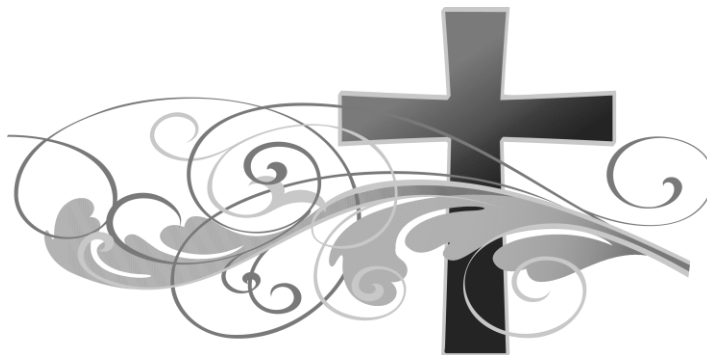
Welcome! We are glad you are here with us today. Our service today follows an order of worship which places the spotlight on God's Word and its central message of peace through Jesus. You can follow the outline of the service in this worship folder. The hymn numbers refer to the red hymnal: Christian Worship (CW) or the blue hymnal: Christian Worship Supplement (CWS).

Restrooms: The women's and men's restrooms are located in the Gathering Room (lobby) of the church. There are additional restrooms located in the Fellowship Hall.

Cry Room: We do not mind a fussy child or an instructing parent. But for parents who would like a quiet place to be with their child, we have a cry room with a one-way window into the sanctuary. The entrance is located in the Gathering Room. The worship audio can be heard in this room.

Prayer Requests: If you have a special prayer you would like included in today's Prayer of the Church, please fill out the prayer request form on the small table in the Gathering Room.

Holy Communion: We offer classes (Basic Bible Christianity) for those desiring to take the sacrament. If you are a newcomer, please take these classes before communing or speak with our pastor.



ORDER OF SERVICE

STAND

INVOCATION¹

M: In the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Refrain: (1st time: Cantor, 2nd Time: All)



Shep-herd me, O God, be - yond my wants, be - yond my fears, from death in-to life.

LITANY

Cantor:

All:

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All:



In the time of tri al: **Shep herd me, O God.** In the hour of weakness: **Shep herd me, O God.**
When your Spir it calls us: Through all that be falls us:
Des ert dry and ash en: Show er your com pas sion:

Cantor:

All:



You who rule cre a tion, show us your sal va tion, when we face temp ta tion: **Shep herd me, O God.**
Teach us true con tri tion, help us live your mis sion, bring us to fru i tion:
Give us new di rec tion, you, our strong pro tec tion, spring of res ur rec tion:

¹ The name of the triune God and the sign of the cross remind worshipers of their baptisms.

Refrain: (All)



Shep-herd me, O God, be - yond my wants, be - yond my fears, from death in-to life.

CONFESSION

M: Dear friends, let us approach God with a true heart and confess our sins, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to forgive us.

C: **Lord of life, I confess that I am by nature dead in sin. For faithless worrying and selfish pride, For sins of habit and sins of choice, For the evil I have done and the good I have failed to do, You should cast me away from your presence forever. O Lord, I am sorry for my sins. Forgive me, for Jesus' sake.**

ABSOLUTION

M: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. In his great mercy, God made us alive in Christ even when we were dead in our sins. Hear the word of Christ through his called servant:

I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

LORD, HAVE MERCY (KYRIE)²

M: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

For the well-being of all people everywhere, that they may receive from you all they need to sustain body and life, hear our prayer, O Lord.



M: Lord, have mer - cy. **C:** Lord, have mer - cy.

² *Kyrie* is the Greek word for *Lord*. The expression "Lord, have mercy" is one of the oldest worship responses in the Christian church.

M: *For the spread of your life-giving gospel throughout the world, that all who are lost in sin may be brought to faith in you, hear our prayer, O Christ.*



M: Christ, _____ have mer - cy.

C: Christ, _____ have mer - cy.

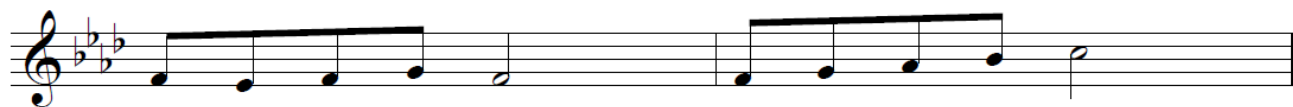
M: *For patience and perseverance in this life, that we may not lose the hope of heaven as we await your return, hear our prayer, O Lord.*



M: Lord, _____ have mer - cy.

C: Lord, _____ have mer - cy.

M: *Lord of life, live in us that we may live for you.*



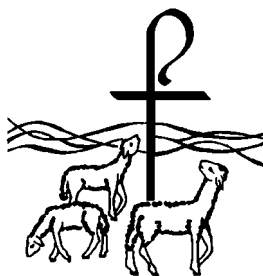
M: A - men.

C: A - men.

Refrain: (All)



Shep-herd me, O God, be - yond my wants, be - yond my fears, from death in-to life.



THE WORD OF GOD



SALUTATION³

M: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray.

Eternal God and Father, help us to remember Jesus, who obeyed your will and bore the cross for our salvation that through his anguish, pain, and death we may receive forgiveness of sins and inherit eternal life; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

BE SEATED

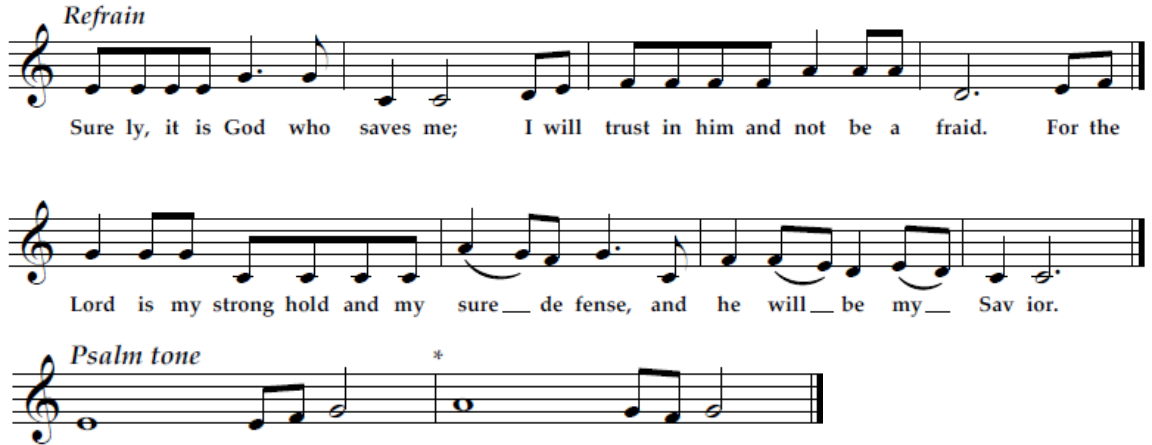
CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

FIRST LESSON.....Isaiah 43:16-21

This is what the LORD says-- he who made a way through the sea, a path through the mighty waters,¹⁷ who drew out the chariots and horses, the army and reinforcements together, and they lay there, never to rise again, extinguished, snuffed out like a wick:¹⁸ "Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past.¹⁹ See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the desert and streams in the wasteland.²⁰ The wild animals honor me, the jackals and the owls, because I provide water in the desert and streams in the wasteland, to give drink to my people, my chosen,²¹ the people I formed for myself that they may proclaim my praise.

³ This greeting has deep roots in Christian worship and marks the beginning of the Word section and the Sacrament section of the service.

PSALM OF THE DAY.....Psalm 73



- M:** I am always with 'you, O LORD; *
- C:** you hold me by my 'right hand.
- M:** You guide me with your 'counsel, *
- C:** and afterward you will take me into 'glory.
- M:** Whom have I in hea'ven but you? *
- C:** And earth has nothing I desire be'sides you.
- M:** My flesh and my 'heart may fail. *
- C:** but God is the strength of my heart and my portion for'ever.
- C:** Glory be to the Father and 'to the Son *
- and to the Holy 'Spirit,
- as it was in the be'ginning, *
- is now and will be forever. 'Amen.

Refrain

SECOND LESSON.....Philippians 3:8-14

What is more, I consider everything a loss compared to the surpassing greatness of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whose sake I have lost all things. I consider them rubbish, that I may gain Christ⁹ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which is through faith in Christ-- the righteousness that comes from God and is by faith.¹⁰ I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the fellowship of sharing in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death,¹¹ and so, somehow, to

attain to the resurrection from the dead.¹² Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already been made perfect, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me.¹³ Brothers, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead,¹⁴ I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.

THE VERSE OF THE DAY.....Mark 10:45

M: The Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.

GOSPEL..... Luke 20:9-19

He went on to tell the people this parable: "A man planted a vineyard, rented it to some farmers and went away for a long time.¹⁰ At harvest time he sent a servant to the tenants so they would give him some of the fruit of the vineyard. But the tenants beat him and sent him away empty-handed.¹¹ He sent another servant, but that one also they beat and treated shamefully and sent away empty-handed.¹² He sent still a third, and they wounded him and threw him out.¹³ Then the owner of the vineyard said, 'What shall I do? I will send my son, whom I love; perhaps they will respect him.'¹⁴ "But when the tenants saw him, they talked the matter over. 'This is the heir,' they said. 'Let's kill him, and the inheritance will be ours.'¹⁵ So they threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. "What then will the owner of the vineyard do to them?¹⁶ He will come and kill those tenants and give the vineyard to others." When the people heard this, they said, "May this never be!"¹⁷ Jesus looked directly at them and asked, "Then what is the meaning of that which is written: "'The stone the builders rejected has become the capstone'?"¹⁸ Everyone who falls on that stone will be broken to pieces, but he on whom it falls will be crushed."¹⁹ The teachers of the law and the chief priests looked for a way to arrest him immediately, because they knew he had spoken this parable against them. But they were afraid of the people.

C: Praise — be to you, O Christ!

M: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

HYMN OF THE DAY.....Fight the Good Fight (CW #457)

SERMON.....Philippians 4:13-18

THEME: “Forget the Past”

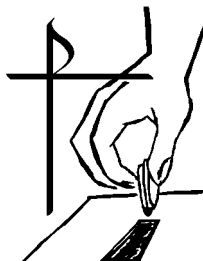
CONFESSION OF FAITH

C: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYER AND THANKSGIVING



OFFERING

The members of Cross of Glory are happy to support its ministry with their financial gifts. If you are visiting us today, do not feel obligated to give an offering.

STAND

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

M: Heavenly Father, you loved the world and gave your Son to liberate us from sin and death by his obedient death on the cross.

C: **We confess that without your love we are lost.**

M: Lord of the Church, we thank you for the treasure of the gospel. By your Spirit, keep our eyes fixed on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith.

C: **Strengthen our determination to do what pleases you, no matter what the danger or the cost.**

M: Let us pray for those who carry a cross in the name of Christ and face ridicule and persecution for the sake of the kingdom: missionaries and chaplains, young people who stand up for what is right in the face of pressure to do what is wrong, and all who pay a high price for their faith and their values as Christians.

C: **By your Spirit, O Lord, grant them patience and endurance.**

M: Let us pray for those who carry heavy burdens in life: the sick and the chronically ill, the depressed and the lonely, those torn by conflict in personal relationships, those victimized by war and injustice, and all who face the terrors of life with a heavy heart.

C: **Grant them peace, O Lord, and in your mercy, be their guardian and friend, their comfort and hope.**

M: Let us pray for those who care for others: pastors and counselors; physicians and nurses; EMTs and paramedics, social workers and caring friends; all who feed the hungry, comfort the hurting, and stand beside the dying.

C: **Strengthen them in their work, O Lord, and do not let them become weary in doing good.**

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

M: Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

Silent prayer.

M: Help us run with perseverance the race marked out for us. Keep us faithful even to the point of death, that we may receive the crown of life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: **Amen.**

THE SACRAMENT

THE PREFACE⁴

M: The Lord be with you.



C: And al so with you.

M: Lift up your hearts.



C: We lift them up to the Lord.

M: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

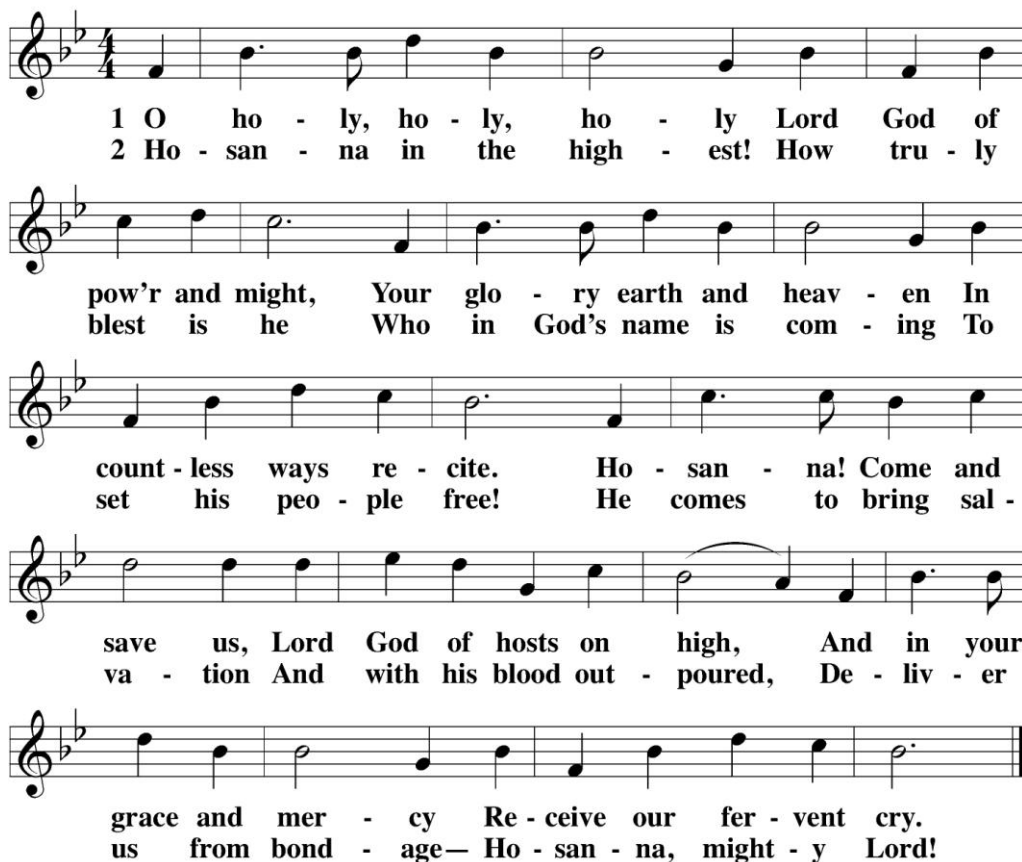


C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

M: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who willingly died under the curse of this world's sin so that we may live forever in the light of God's blessing. Therefore with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

⁴ These words mark the beginning of the Sacrament section of worship and lift the worshiper's hearts in praise. The opening sentences are among the oldest in the Christian liturgy.

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (*SANCTUS*)



1 O ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of
2 Ho - san - na in the high - est! How tru - ly

pow'r and might, Your glo - ry earth and heav - en In
blest is he Who in God's name is com - ing To

count - less ways re - cite. Ho - san - na! Come and
set his peo - ple free! He comes to bring sal -

save us, Lord God of hosts on high, And in your
va - tion And with his blood out - poured, De - liv - er

grace and mer - cy Re - ceive our fer - vent cry.
us from bond - age— Ho - san - na, might - y Lord!

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING⁵

M: Blessed are you, O Lord of heaven and earth. We praise and thank you for sending your Son, Jesus Christ, and we remember the great acts of love through which he has ransomed us from sin, death, and the devil's power. Invited by your grace and instructed by your Word, we approach your table with repentant and joyful hearts. Strengthen us through Christ's body and blood, and preserve us in the true faith until we feast with him and all his ransomed people in glory everlasting.

C: Amen.

⁵ Jesus took bread and *gave thanks*. (Matthew 26:26)

LORD'S PRAYER

C: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION⁶

M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: Amen.

The musical score is written on four staves in treble clef. The first staff begins with a key signature of one flat (B-flat) and a common time signature. The second staff continues the melody and introduces a key signature change to one sharp (F-sharp). The third staff continues with the one sharp key signature. The fourth staff concludes the piece with a key signature change to two sharps (D major) and ends with a double bar line. The lyrics are written below the notes, with some words underlined for emphasis.

C: Lamb of God, you take a way the sin of the
world; have mer cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a way the
sin of the world, have mer cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a
way the_ sin of the_ world, Grant us your peace. A men.

⁶ As he speaks the Words of Institution, the minister both proclaims the words of Jesus to the congregation and sets apart the bread and wine for the Lord's use. The sign of the cross reminds us Christ's death.

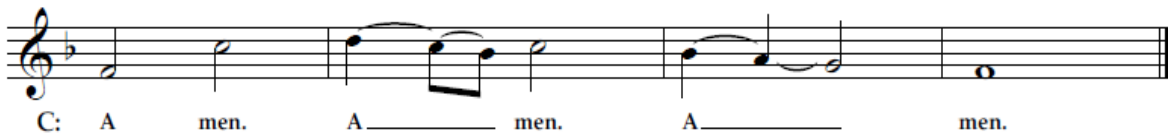
THANKSGIVING

PRAYER

M: We give you thanks, O Lord, for the foretaste of the heavenly banquet that you have given us to eat and to drink in this sacrament. Through this gift you have fed our faith, nourished our hope, and strengthened our love. By your Spirit help us to live as your holy people until that day when you will receive us as your guests at the wedding supper of the Lamb, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



M: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.
The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look on you with favor and + give you peace.



CLOSING HYMN.....May the Mind of Christ Our Savior (CW #467)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MEASURE OF LOVE

Last Sunday's Attendance: Worship: ; Communion: .

Offerings to the Lord: General Fund: \$; Periodicals: \$; Evangelism: \$.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

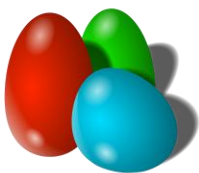
Wednesday (3/16):	6:00 p.m.	Soup Supper
	6:30 p.m.	Ash Wednesday Worship
Thursday (3/17):	7:00 p.m.	Confirmation Class
Saturday (3/19):	10:00 a.m.	Easter for Kids / Egg Hunt
Sunday (3/20):	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School / Adult Bible Study
	10:30 a.m.	Worship with Communion
	11:30 a.m.	Church Council

MIDWEEK LENT SERVICES



We will continue our midweek Lent evening prayer services this Wednesday. We will have a soup supper at 6:00 p.m. and worship will begin at 6:30 p.m. These services provide an excellent opportunity for growing in faith and focusing our hearts as we look forward to another joyous Easter celebration.

EASTER FOR KIDS ~ EGG HUNT - SATURDAY, MARCH 19TH



We will be holding our Easter for Kids event on Saturday, March 19th at 10:00 a.m. Children are invited to participate in a fun egg hunt at Cross of Glory. We will also have special Easter-themed projects for the children to enjoy. We would love to see as many children from our Cross of Glory extended family and the neighborhood at this event. Please come and join the fun (and bring a friend or two!). There is a signup sheet for those who are willing to volunteer the day of the event.

HOLY WEEK



WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Maundy Thursday (March 24th) - 6:30 p.m.

We gather to commemorate the night on which Jesus was betrayed--the night he instituted the Sacrament of Holy Communion. Following the celebration of the Lord's Supper, the service concludes with a solemn stripping of the altar.

Good Friday (March 25th) - 7 p.m.

In our Good Friday Tenebrae Service, candles are extinguished one by one as we hear the Savior's words from the cross. The service ends in complete darkness and a loud sound (*strepitus*) reminds us of the closing of the tomb.

Easter Vigil (March 26th) - 8 p.m.

As we have done the past two years, we will be holding an Easter Vigil service on Saturday night. This ancient service begins around a new fire kindled outside and continues with a candlelit processional into the darkened church. We remember our Baptism, our Savior God, and his death. The second half of the service bursts forth in Easter joy as we begin the celebration of the Resurrection of our Lord. Easter Holy Communion is served.

Easter Festival Service (March 27th) - 10:30 a.m. (Breakfast starting at 9)

This is the day the Lord has made. Let us rejoice and be glad in it! Our 10:30 service on Easter Sunday is a celebration of Christ's resurrection victory. We sing the great Easter hymns of the church with a variety of musical accompaniment. We hear the Easter message of hope and joy.